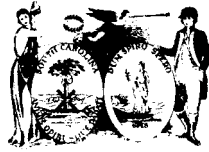


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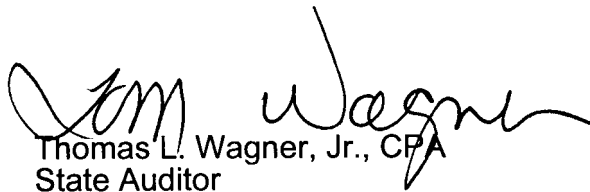
Re: AC# 3-LAN-J9 – Lancaster Convalescent Center, Inc.

Dear Ms. Polydorou:

The accompanying report has been prepared by our office based on your Medicaid Financial and Statistical Report submitted to the Department of Health and Human Services for the cost report period October 1, 1998 through September 30, 1999. That report was used to set the rate covering the contract period beginning October 1, 2000.

We are recommending that the Department of Health and Human Services certify an accounts payable for the amounts owed as a result of the rate change shown at Exhibit A. You will be notified of payment by that Agency.

If you take exception to this report in any manner, you have the right to appeal in accordance with the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976 as amended, Title 44, and Department of Health and Human Services Regulation R.126-150, and you must respond in writing within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of this letter. This written response must address the specific items in the report being appealed, and must be directed to the Appeals and Hearings, Department of Health and Human Services, Post Office Box 8206, Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8206. Any correspondence should include the control number appearing on Exhibit A of this report.


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cc: Ms. Brenda L. Hyleman
Mr. Jeff Saxon
Mr. Joseph P. Hayes

LANCASTER CONVALESCENT CENTER, INC.

LANCASTER, SOUTH CAROLINA

**CONTRACT PERIOD
BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2000
AC# 3-LAN-J9**

AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES REPORT

ON CONTRACT

FOR

PURCHASE OF NURSING CARE SERVICES

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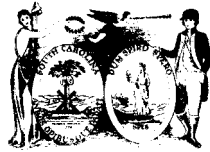
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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

September 10, 2002

Department of Health and Human Services
State of South Carolina
Columbia, South Carolina

We have performed the procedures described below, which were agreed to by the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, solely to compute the rate change and related adjusted reimbursement rate to be used by the Department in determining the reimbursement settlement with Lancaster Convalescent Center, Inc., for the contract period beginning October 1, 2000, and for the twelve month cost report period ended September 30, 1999, as set forth in the accompanying schedules. The management of Lancaster Convalescent Center, Inc. is responsible for the Financial and Statistical Report for Nursing Homes and supporting accounting and statistical records. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the Department of Health and Human Services. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

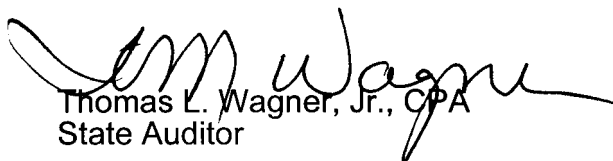
The procedures and the associated findings are as follows:

1. We tested selected costs or areas based on our analytical procedures applied to the reimbursable Medicaid program costs as shown on the Financial and Statistical Report for Nursing Homes, as filed by Lancaster Convalescent Center, Inc., to determine if these costs were allowable as defined by the State Plan for Medicaid reimbursement purposes and supported by accounting and statistical records maintained by the provider. Our findings as a result of these procedures are presented in the Adjustment Report and Summary of Costs and Total Patient Days sections of this report.
2. We recomputed the Computation of Reimbursement Rate using the adjusted costs and calculated the rate change in accordance with the provisions of the contract between the Department of Health and Human Services and Lancaster Convalescent Center, Inc. dated as of October 1, 1994 as amended. Our findings as a result of these procedures are presented in the Computation of Rate Change and Computation of Adjusted Reimbursement Rate sections of this report.

Department of Health and Human Services
State of South Carolina
September 10, 2002

These agreed-upon procedures do not constitute an audit of financial statements or any part thereof, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion on the financial statements or a part thereof. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than the specified party.


Thomas L. Wagner, Jr., CPA
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LANCASTER CONVALESCENT CENTER, INC.

Computation of Rate Change
For the Contract Period
Beginning October 1, 2000
AC# 3-LAN-J9

	10/01/00- <u>09/30/01</u>
Adjusted Reimbursement Rate	\$100.22
Interim Reimbursement Rate (1)	<u>99.32</u>
Increase in Reimbursement Rate	\$ <u><u>.90</u></u>

(1) Interim reimbursement rate from the South Carolina Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) Provider Rate Listing dated January 25, 2002

LANCASTER CONVALESCENT CENTER, INC.
Computation of Adjusted Reimbursement Rate
For the Contract Period October 1, 2000 Through September 30, 2001
AC# 3-LAN-J9

	<u>Incentives</u>	<u>Allowable Cost</u>	<u>Cost Standard</u>	<u>Computed Rate</u>
<u>Costs Subject to Standards:</u>				
General Services		\$47.88	\$57.78	
Dietary		9.72	10.12	
Laundry/Housekeeping/Maintenance		<u>8.68</u>	<u>8.88</u>	
Subtotal	\$ <u>5.37</u>	66.28	76.78	\$ 66.28
Administration & Medical Records	\$ <u>4.59</u>	<u>5.96</u>	<u>10.55</u>	<u>5.96</u>
Subtotal		72.24	<u>\$87.33</u>	72.24
<u>Costs Not Subject to Standards:</u>				
Utilities		2.36		2.36
Special Services		.19		.19
Medical Supplies & Oxygen		5.07		5.07
Taxes and Insurance		1.53		1.53
Legal Fees		<u>.10</u>		<u>.10</u>
TOTAL		<u>\$81.49</u>		81.49
Inflation Factor (3.20%)				2.61
Cost of Capital				9.61
Cost of Capital Limitation				-
Profit Incentive (Maximum 3.5% of Allowable Cost)				2.85
Cost Incentive				5.37
Effect of \$1.75 Cap on Cost/Profit Incentives				(6.47)
Nurse Aide Staffing Add-On 10/01/00				1.70
Nurse Aide Staffing Add-On 10/01/99				<u>3.06</u>
 ADJUSTED REIMBURSEMENT RATE				 <u>\$100.22</u>

LANCASTER CONVALESCENT CENTER, INC.
Summary of Costs and Total Patient Days
For the Cost Report Period Ended September 30, 1999
AC# 3-LAN-J9

<u>Expenses</u>	Totals (From Schedule SC 13) as <u>Adjusted by DH&HS</u>	<u>Adjustments</u> <u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Adjusted Totals</u>
General Services	\$2,101,449	\$24,331 (2)	\$4,104 (1)	\$2,121,676
Dietary	430,832	-	-	430,832
Laundry	63,684	-	-	63,684
Housekeeping	183,092	-	-	183,092
Maintenance	133,510	4,104 (1)	-	137,614
Administration & Medical Records	264,199	-	-	264,199
Utilities	104,692	-	-	104,692
Special Services	8,284	-	-	8,284
Medical Supplies & Oxygen	224,588	-	-	224,588
Taxes and Insurance	53,427	14,218 (2)	-	67,645
Legal Fees	4,594	-	-	4,594
Cost of Capital	<u>425,800</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>425,800</u>
Subtotal	3,998,151	42,653	4,104	4,036,700

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<u>Expenses</u>	Totals (From Schedule SC 13) as <u>Adjusted by DH&HS</u>	Adjustments <u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	Adjusted <u>Totals</u>
Ancillary	30,724	-	-	30,724
Non-Allowable	<u>323,152</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,549 (2)</u>	<u>284,603</u>
Total Operating Expenses	<u>\$4,352,027</u>	<u>\$42,653</u>	<u>\$42,653</u>	<u>\$4,352,027</u>
Total Patient Days	<u>44,308</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>44,308</u>
Total Beds	<u>142</u>			

LANCASTER CONVALESCENT CENTER, INC.
Adjustment Report
Cost Report Period Ended September 30, 1999
AC# 3-LAN-J9

<u>ADJUSTMENT NUMBER</u>	<u>ACCOUNT TITLE</u>	<u>DEBIT</u>	<u>CREDIT</u>
1	Maintenance Restorative	\$ 4,104	\$ 4,104
	To correctly classify maintenance van depreciation DH&HS Expense Checklist		
2	Nursing Taxes and Insurance Other Equity Accumulated Amortization - Start Up Cost Nonallowable	24,331 14,218 6,961	6,961 38,549
	To properly record start-up cost and related amortization expense HIM-15-1, Sections 2132 and 2304 State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
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	TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	<u>\$49,614</u>	<u>\$49,614</u>

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